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Continuing Education Requirement: Reminder & Tips

In the previous issue, readers were reminded of the final phased-in implementation (effective January 1, 2011) of the continuing education (CE) requirement within Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 5600.05. Beginning with this year's renewal cycle, licensees are required to complete five hours of coursework on disability access requirements within the previous two years (prior to renewal), as a condition of license renewal.



t the time of renewal, architects must: 1) certify completion of the required coursework on their renewal application; and 2) provide all required coursework information with their renewal. Refer to BPC section 5600.05 for all provisions pertaining to the CE requirement.

Coursework Requirements

Coursework on disability access requirements must include information and practical guidance concerning the requirements imposed by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-336; 42 U.S.C. Sec. 12101 et seq.), state laws that govern access to public facilities, and federal and state regulations adopted pursuant to those laws. The coursework must be presented by trainers or educators with

knowledge and experience background in disability access requirements.

Coursework Providers

While the Board does not have the authority to approve or endorse providers or courses, coursework is available from a variety of sources, including online providers, The American Institute of Architects chapters, local building departments, other private providers, etc. When selecting coursework, licensees must be sure to choose courses with content that meet the requirements described above. Additionally, licensees must verify that the course material is presented by trainers or educators with knowledge and experience background in disability access requirements.



President's Message

By Pasqual Gutierrez, Board President

Sunrise, Sunset

This year the Board is undergoing the Sunset Review process. This is the third time the Board has navigated this review process since 1998. Sunset Review offers an opportunity for an organization to examine its programs in great detail and measure their effectiveness. Additionally, it is an opportunity to identify the best practices from other organizations undergoing review, as well as courses of action to avoid.

The Board submitted its report to the Senate Business, Professions, and Economic Development Committee in September 2010 (ironically, the Joint Legislative Sunset Review Committee, the body that previously conducted these reviews, was sunset). The report contains a wide range of information and data about all of the Board's programs and policies.

The Board's hearing before the Committee was on March 21, 2011. Committee members asked Executive Officer Doug McCauley and me a range of questions about the Board's passing rates on the Architect Registration Examination, license renewal cycle, and position on mandated continuing education.

From the results of the hearing, Committee staff drafted language for our sunset review bill. This bill establishes the next sunset date of the Board's statutes, and is progressing through the legislative process. It is expected to be acted upon before the Legislature adjourns in September.

The Board will take the feedback from this process to its next strategic planning session in December to ensure that the results of this process drives our future actions.

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Following are some tips to ensure that you satisfy the CE requirement and that your license renewal is processed in a timely manner:

- Ensure that you have a current address of record on file with the Board. A change of address must be submitted in writing or by using the Address Change Form available at cab.ca.gov. A change of address can also be provided on the renewal application.
- Complete five hours of coursework on disability access requirements prior to receiving your renewal application (preferably) and within the previous two years prior to renewal. Renewal applications are sent to a licensee's address of record approximately 60 days prior to the expiration date.
- Be sure that the course or courses taken fully satisfy the requirements provided in BPC 5600.05; the statute does not allow licensees to self-certify (i.e., professional work and/or teaching experience) for purposes of meeting the CE requirement.
- Ensure that your renewal application is filled out completely and signed.
- On the reverse side of your renewal application, provide all required information regarding coursework - i.e., course title, subjects covered, name of provider and trainer or educator, date of completion, number of hours completed, and a statement about the trainer or educator's knowledge and experience background in disability access requirements (providing a trainer or educator's other professional background is not necessary). If multiple courses were taken to satisfy the five hour requirement, information for each course must be provided (tip: photocopy the blank reverse side of

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the application and provide information for each course; submit all copies with renewal application and provide your license number on each copy).

- Submit your renewal application once you receive it, as processing may take up to eight weeks. The status of your renewal can also be viewed at cab.ca.gov.
- Ensure that you complete all of the above in order to avoid a delay in renewing your license and being subject to a \$100 delinquency fee. Note that there is a 30 day grace period (after a license expires) before a delinquency fee is assessed; however, an individual cannot practice architecture during this period, as the license is expired.

Note that if you fail to complete the required coursework, your license will not be renewed and, once expired, you cannot practice architecture until the requirement has been fulfilled and your license renewal has been processed.

Licensees should also note that after the processing of a license renewal, it

takes approximately three weeks to receive a new license certificate and pocket identification card from the Employment Development Department (these items are printed and mailed separately). Individuals who are issued their initial license should also note that they may not have a lot of time to comply with the CE requirement (based on their license issue date and initial expiration date).

Looking ahead, licensees should also be aware that with the recent passage of Assembly Bill 1746, the license renewal process will be streamlined commencing in 2013. At that time, licensees will only need to sign a statement on their renewal application demonstrating compliance with the CE requirement. They would then retain their records of the required coursework provider documentation for two years and provide it to the Board only if requested.

More information regarding the CE requirement is available at **cab.ca.gov**. Additional questions regarding the requirement can be directed to the Board at (916) 574-7220.

Architect Registration Examination:

SECURITY CHANGES

Prometric, the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) testing consultant has implemented additional security procedures at its test centers. As a result of a pilot program conducted during 2010, Prometric has deployed hand-held metal detectors at all Prometric test centers in the United States.

Candidates are required to submit themselves for a scan by a hand-held metal detector prior to each entry into the testing room, including returns from breaks. Candidates who refuse to be scanned may not be permitted to test.

Please be aware of and prepared for this change at future testing appointments.





2014 and the ARE Rolling Clock

REMINDER

The Board reminds candidates that on July 1, 2014, any ARE divisions taken prior to January 1, 2006, will no longer be exempt from the ARE "Rolling Clock" provision. Consequently, the validity of the affected ARE division(s) will expire unless all remaining ARE divisions have been successfully completed by June 30, 2014. Any ARE divisions that expire must be retaken to fulfill the Board's examination requirement for licensure.

Candidates who have successfully completed divisions prior to January 1, 2006, are strongly encouraged to complete all remaining ARE divisions by the June 30, 2014, deadline.

Inactive candidates who would like to complete the testing process should visit the Board's website, cab.ca.gov, for the current licensing requirements and the Application for Eligibility Evaluation.

California candidates took 1,328 divisions of the Architect Registration Examination between January 1, 2011, and March 31, 2011. The results are shown below.

Division	Number of Candidates	Total Passed		Total Failed	
		# DIVISIONS	PASSED	# DIVISIONS	FAILED
Programming, Planning and Practice	213	118	55%	95	45%
Site Planning and Design	191	118	62%	73	38%
Building Design and Construction Systems	148	87	59%	61	41%
Structural Systems	185	113	61%	72	39%
Building Systems	162	95	59%	67	41%
Construction Documents and Services	238	137	58%	101	42%
Schematic Design	191	150	79%	41	21%

CSE Update

he new computer-based California Supplemental Examination (CSE), which was launched in February, has been administered to approximately 700 candidates as of the end of July. Initially, examination results were held in order for the Board's vendor to complete required statistical analysis once a sufficient pool of candidates completed the examination. Due to a low number of examinations scheduled initially, there was a delay in releasing the first batch of results. CSE results are now mailed to candidates approximately 30 days after their examination date. However, it should also be noted that on occasion, additional score analyses could be required resulting in periodic delays in releasing results.

The new CSE continues to be based on the 2007 CSE Test Plan. However, the examination now consists of TWO individually timed sections, with approximately 100 multiple-choice (MC) items total and a combined time limit of 3.5 hours:

- 1. Project Scenario section: Includes handouts, provided by proctor at check-in, to be referred to while answering the MC items in this section. Handouts can include: a) a single page of written information, such as the project program, site description, and architect and client profiles; b) multiple pages of graphics, such as a site plan, floor plan, elevations, sections, and/or details; and c) other project-related information, such as a letter from the client, a transmittal from the contractor, a memo from the planning department, etc. Once a candidate completes this section, they must proceed to the second section (general section) and cannot go back and review answers from the Project Scenario section.
- **2. General section:** Includes general MC items.

As noted in the Board's CSE Handbook (available at cab.ca.gov and psiexams.com), the following are recommended ways to prepare for the CSE:

- Thoroughly read all information in the CSE
 Handbook—which includes all examination procedures,
 policies, rules, etc.
- Study the CSE Test Plan—the CSE Test Plan is used to develop the examination items
- Thoroughly review the CSE Reference Materials—the Board provides a list of reference materials at cab.ca.gov; be sure to check the list regularly, as it is updated when necessary
- Engage in self-directed study—e.g., Intern Development Program training areas, continuing education, The American Institute of Architects Handbook of Professional Practice, Emerging Professional's Companion, etc.





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 Participate in examination seminars or utilize study guides

Candidates who have met the eligibility requirements and submit a completed Application for California Supplemental Examination to the Board will have their eligibility information sent to the Board's test site vendor, Psychological Services, LLC (PSI). Once this occurs, a candidate will receive a copy of the CSE Handbook in the mail and may then schedule their examination at a test site of their choice. The CSE can be scheduled during normal working hours (8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and listed operating hours on Saturday) at 13 locations within California and an additional 10 locations out-of-state (locations are available on the Board's website and in the CSE Handbook). Candidates who require reasonable accommodations must submit a Reasonable Accommodations Request for CSE form to the Board a minimum of 90 days prior to the desired test date to allow for processing.

Candidates who pass the CSE receive an Application for Licensure with their result letter. Candidates who do not pass the CSE receive a new CSE application with their result letter (a new application and payment are required each time a candidate takes the CSE). A candidate cannot retake the CSE for at least 180 days from the date they last took the examination.

Additionally, candidates must keep their address of record current with the Board in order to avoid any delays with testing and/or receiving examination results.

Complete information regarding the CSE can be found on the Board's website at cab.ca.gov

IDP 2.0 PHASE THREE

wo years ago, the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, (NCARB) began implementing the next generation of the Intern Development Program (IDP) in a three-phase process. Known as IDP 2.0, the revised version of IDP realigns the nationally recognized internship training program with current architectural practices.

Phases One and Two, which were implemented in 2009 and 2010, included a number of improvements that simplified the reporting process and made IDP more user-friendly. These improvements allow interns, whether or not employed, to earn training hours by completing supplemental educational opportunities, updated the definition of "direct supervision" to reflect current architectural practice, and renamed training units to training hours. Other changes included NCARB's new electronic Experience Verification Reporting (e-EVR) system, which gives interns a more user-friendly reporting experience and the establishment of new IDP entry points, which allows candidates to begin IDP when they enroll in either a National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) accredited degree program, a pre-professional degree program at a NAAB accredited school, or while working at an architectural firm after graduating from high school.

Phase Three completes the implementation of IDP 2.0 by first realigning experience categories and areas with current architectural practices and second, clarifying and simplifying the acceptable experience settings for earning IDP credit.

Realigning Experience Categories and Areas

Candidates earn IDP experience by performing work in 16 training areas, each within one of four training categories. Phase Three will realign these training areas into new experience categories and areas based on the 2007 Practice Analysis of Architecture conducted by NCARB. While most of the current training areas will transition into their corresponding IDP 2.0 experience areas, some will be combined and others divided to more accurately reflect the reality of the profession today. When Phase Three implementation is completed, there will be 17 experience areas within four new experience categories that will be named Pre-Design, Design, Project Management, and Practice Management (see comparison chart). It is important for candidates to note that no experience already submitted will be lost in the implementation of the new experience categories and areas. Candidates who have satisfied the minimum core hours (see the IDP Guidelines) for an existing training area will have met the corresponding experience area core minimum requirements in IDP 2.0. For instance, a candidate that has 1,000 hours submitted in the e-EVR (experience must have a status of "submitted," "pending," or "approved" for experience to be protected; experience that has a "saved" status is not protected) on the day before the implementation will have 1,000 hours the day afterwards.





IDP 2.0 Phase Three Comparison Chart

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IDP Training Categories and Areas	IDP 2.0 Experience Categories and Areas			
1. Design and Construction Documents	1. Pre-Design			
a. Programming	a. Programming			
b. Site and Environmental Analysis	b. Site and Building Analysis			
c. Schematic Design	c. Project Cost and Feasibility			
d. Engineering Systems Coordination	d. Planning and Zoning Regulations			
e. Building Cost Analysis	2. Design			
f. Code Research	a. Schematic Design			
g. Design Development	b. Engineering Systems			
h. Construction Documents	c. Construction Cost			
i. Specifications and Materials Research	d. Codes and Regulations			
j. Document Checking and Coordination	e. Design Development			
2. Construction Contract Administration	f. Construction Documents			
a. Bidding and Contract Negotiation	g. Material Selection and Specification			
b. Construction Phase - Office	3. Project Management			
c. Construction Phase - Observation	a. Bidding and Contract Negotiation			
3. Management	b. Construction Administration			
a. Project Management	c. Construction Phase: Observation			
b. Office Management	d. General Project Management			
4. Related Activities	4. Practice Management			
a. Professional and Community Service	a. Business Operations			
	b. Leadership and Service			

New Experience Settings

IDP currently has seven acceptable experience settings (A, B, C, D, E, F and FF). When Phase Three is fully implemented, those seven experience settings will be streamlined into just

three. The new settings (detailed below) will be A (Architectural Practice), O (Other Work Settings), and S (Supplemental Experience). Experience already earned in the current work settings will be seamlessly transitioned

to the new experience settings within the e-EVR and candidates will not lose any credit they have earned. For instance, experience already earned within work settings B, C, D, and E will

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be transitioned to Setting O while experience already earned in work settings F and FF will be transitioned to Setting S.

Setting A—Architectural Practice

Direct supervision by an IDP supervisor licensed as an architect in a U.S. or Canadian jurisdiction in an organization engaged in the lawful practice of architecture.

Setting O-Other Work Settings

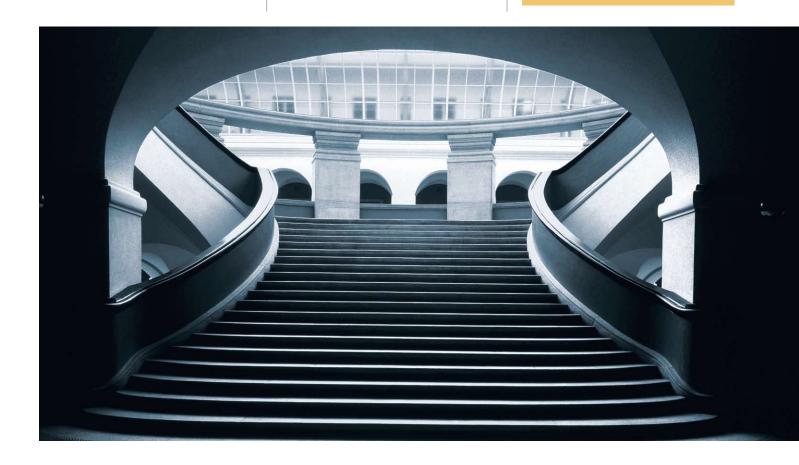
(1) Direct supervision by an architect licensed in a U.S. or Canadian jurisdiction in an organization not engaged in the practice of architecture.

- (2) Direct supervision by an architect not registered in the U.S./Canada engaged in the practice of architecture outside of the U. S. or Canada.
- (3) Direct supervision by a landscape architect or registered engineer (practicing as a structural, civil, mechanical, fire protection, or electrical engineer in the field of building construction).
- (4) Design or construction related activities under the direct supervision of a person experienced in the activity (e.g., analyzing existing buildings; planning; programming; designing interior space; reviewing technical submissions; engaging in building construction activities).

Setting S—Supplemental Experience

Opportunities to earn experience hours outside of a traditional experience setting, whether or not employed.

NCARB has committed countless resources to the reimagining of IDP to offer interns the most comprehensive internship that is essential for the competent practice of architecture. As the profession continues to evolve, NCARB will continue to monitor trends in architectural practice to keep IDP both current and relevant to the profession. Final implementation of Phase Three is planned for spring 2012.





In general, complaints filed against architects fall into two broad categories:

- Contract terms and conditions (including fees),
- Performance of services (including timing, accuracy, completeness and negligence).

Most complaints received by the Board against an architect arise from missed project expectations that usually originate from a failure to communicate between the parties involved. In order for the Board to take disciplinary action against a licensee there must be a basis of the violation within a provision of the Architects Practice Act (Act). Actions the Board can take against a licensee include probation, suspension, revocation, and citations with civil penalties. Any violations of the Act including failure to file a Business Entity Report Form, and failure to provide an immediate

notification of a name or address change are grounds for action. However, some violations occur more frequently than others. Below are some typical violations that occur.

Written Contract Violations

Failure to comply with the requirements for a written contract is among the most frequent violations committed by licensees. The Act requires an executed written contract prior to the performance of any architectural services unless the client knowingly states in writing that the work can begin before a contract is in place. A written contract must include the following:

- Description of services to be provided by the architect to the client;
- Description of any basis for compensation applicable to the

- contract and the method of payment agreed upon by both parties;
- Name, address, and license number of the architect and the name and address of the client;
- Description of the procedure the architect and client will use to accommodate additional services;
- Description of the procedure to be used by either party to terminate the contract.

If the contract does not have these elements or is not signed by all parties prior to the start of the project, then there is a violation of the Act. If the violation impacts or contributes to the dispute it may also become a matter of negligence and/or willful misconduct. A written contract can protect both the



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architect and client. It is not just a best practice to have a written contract before services are rendered ... it is the law.

Negligence and Willful Misconduct

Architects are expected to perform within established rules of professional conduct. Negligence arises when an architect fails to meet the standard of professional care by, for instance, designing a project in violation of the applicable laws, codes, or regulations. The law requires, and a reasonable expectation is made by consumers, that architects should be knowledgeable of the applicable laws, codes, and regulations related to the projects they design. Therefore, architects may wish to consult with the necessary experts who are qualified by education, training, and experience in specific technical areas if they are unsure of the legal requirements, the intent or meaning of a law, or lack the required technical knowledge required for a design project.

Willful misconduct is a more serious violation of the Act because the architect is knowingly violating the law. Examples of willful misconduct can include failing to return an overpayment of fees for services rendered, signing and stamping knowingly deficient design plans, accepting payment for services that are not rendered, or abandoning a project after receiving payment. Again, there are many variations of violations which can result in an action taken against an architect. The Board recommends architects familiarize themselves with the Rules of Professional Conduct which can be found in the Act under California Code of Regulations section 160.

Practicing With an Expired License

An architect license must be renewed every two years. Failure to renew a license places a licensee in a delinquent or expired status meaning they are "unlicensed" and cannot use the title or offer any architectural

services. A licensee whose license has expired and continues to offer architectural services is in violation of the Act and subject to action by the Board. The 30-day grace period after a license expires applies only to the delinquency fee and does not permit the holder of an expired license to continue practicing architecture after the expiration date has passed. Licensees should make every effort to renew their license timely, meeting all renewal requirements (including signing the renewal form, checking the appropriate boxes related to convictions and disciplinary actions, and providing information related to the continuing education coursework provider), to prevent their license from expiring and violating the Act for practicing without a license. Be certain to keep a current address of record on-file with the Board in order to receive important information related to your license.



Enforcement Actions

CAB is responsible for receiving and investigating complaints against licensees and unlicensed persons. CAB also retains the authority to make final decisions on all enforcement actions taken against its licensees.

Included below is a brief description of recent enforcement actions taken by CAB against individuals who were found to be in violation of the Architects Practice Act.

Every effort is made to ensure the following information is correct. Before making any decision based upon this information, you should contact CAB. Further information on specific violations may also be obtained by contacting the Board's Enforcement Unit at 916.575.7208.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

MARK ALAN BARLOW

(Lompoc) A Statement of Issues was filed against Mark Alan Barlow, an unlicensed individual and candidate for licensure, after he appealed the Board's denial of his application for licensure. The denial was based on evidence that Mr. Barlow had: 1) been convicted of two interlineated misdemeanor counts of violating Penal Code section 602(I) (Trespassing); 2) disciplinary action taken against him by a public agency for an act substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of an architect, in violation of Business and Professions Code (BPC) section 5586; and 3) committed an act involving dishonesty, fraud, or deceit with the intent to substantially benefit himself. A stipulated settlement and disciplinary order was negotiated and adopted by the Board on June 16, 2011 and became effective on June 28, 2011. The terms and conditions of the stipulation included the issuance of architect license number C-33092, which was immediately revoked, the revocation stayed, and Mr. Barlow was placed on five years probation commencing from the date the license was issued. Other terms and conditions included reimbursing the Board \$3,165 for its investigative and prosecution costs and successfully completing an ethics course approved by the Board.

ANDREW BARMAKIAN

(Rancho Cucamonga) Effective January 20, 2011, Andrew Barmakian's architect license number C-7763, was revoked; however, the revocation was stayed and Barmakian's license was suspended for 90 days. He was placed on probation for five years with specific terms and conditions, including reimbursing the Board \$4,195 for its investigative and prosecution costs. The action came after a stipulated settlement was negotiated and adopted by the Board.

An Accusation was filed against Barmakian for alleged violations of BPC sections 490 (Conviction of Crime) and 5577 (Conviction of Certain Crimes), and California Code of Regulations, Title 16, section 110 (Substantial Relationship Criteria). The Accusation alleged that Barmakian was convicted, pursuant to his plea of guilty, of violating Title 15, United States Code, section 1 (Conspiracy to Restrain Trade), a felony and crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of an architect. Beginning in or about December 2000 and continuing until about May 2003, Barmakian and co-conspirators entered into and engaged in a combination and conspiracy to suppress and eliminate competition by allocating customers and rigging bids for contracts of plastic marine pilings in the United States and elsewhere.

EDWARD W. POWELL

(Oak View) Effective July 22, 2011, Edward W. Powell's architect license number C-27775, was revoked; however, the revocation was stayed and Powell's license was placed on probation for five years with specific terms and conditions, including restitution to the clients for \$18,500. The action came after a stipulated settlement was negotiated and adopted by the Board.

An Accusation was filed against Powell for alleged violations of BPC sections 5578 (Violation as Ground for Discipline in General) and 5584 (Negligence or Willful Misconduct). The Accusation alleged that Powell's work on two clients' architectural plans fell below the standard of care. Powell's plans lacked the requisite information and detail necessary for City approval; and he failed to address a parking variance, instead incorporating tandem parking into the plans which is not an acceptable alternative for this type of project. Powell failed to complete the plans.

Effective January 13, 2007, Curtis Shupe's architect license number C-13388, was revoked; however, revocation was stayed, his license was suspended for 90 days and he was placed on probation for five years with specific terms and conditions, including

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restitution pursuant to an arbitration award to the clients in the amount of \$63,876.36. The action came after a stipulated settlement was negotiated and adopted by the Board.

On October 6, 2010, a Petition to Revoke Probation was filed against Shupe for failure to submit quarterly reports as mandated by the terms and conditions in the stipulated settlement. Effective April 21, 2011, Shupe's architect license was revoked. The action came after a Default Decision and Order was adopted by the Board.

CITATIONS

AMIT APEL (Woodland Hills) The Board issued a four-count administrative citation that included a \$5,000 civil penalty to Amit Apel, an unlicensed individual, for alleged violations of BPC sections 5536(a) (Practice Without License or Holding Self Out as Architect) and 5536.1(c) (Unauthorized Practice). The actions alleged that Apel offered to design a residential condominium of at least 16 units and a residential condominium of at least seven units located in West Hollywood, California. Apel subsequently prepared design and preliminary construction documents for each project. The citation became final on April 25, 2011.

EDGAR BAZAN (Sacramento)

The Board issued a one-count administrative citation that included a \$2,000 civil penalty to Edgar Bazan, an unlicensed individual, for an alleged violation of BPC section 5536(a) (Practice Without License or Holding Self Out As Architect). The action alleged that Bazan executed an agreement offering to provide "Architectural/Structural" design services for a new two-story single-family

residence located in Sacramento, California. The agreement also identified Bazan as an "Architect." The citation became final on March 21, 2011.

DIANE PARKER CARAWAN

(Ventura) The Board issued a one-count administrative citation that included a \$500 civil penalty to Diane Parker Carawan, architect license number C-25411, for an alleged violation of BPC section 5584 (Negligence). The action alleged that Carawan failed to verify zoning code requirements during review of a construction change modification. The citation became final on May 26, 2011. Carawan paid the citation, satisfying the civil penalty.

DAVID NEAL COLOMBO

(Santa Rosa) The Board issued a one-count administrative citation that included a \$1,000 civil penalty to David Neal Colombo, architect license number C-20167, for an alleged violation of BPC section 5584 (Willful Misconduct). The action alleged that Colombo failed to meet the professional standard of care by not obtaining design review and building permit approvals in a timely manner. The citation became final on March 14, 2011.

JEFFREY JONSSON

(Mission Viejo) The Board issued a two-count administrative citation that included a \$1,500 civil penalty to Jeffrey Jonsson, architect license number C-27314, for alleged violations of BPC sections 5536.22(a) (Written Contract) and 5584 (Willful Misconduct). The action alleged that Jonsson entered into two written contracts to provide professional architectural services to remodel a residence located in San Juan Capistrano and Garden Grove,

California. The contracts did not contain a description of the procedure that Jonsson and the clients would use to accommodate additional services and a description of the procedure to be used by either party to terminate the contract. Jonsson's Garden Grove contract required him to prepare construction drawings and specifications for the approval of governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the project. Jonsson committed in the contract to provide these services "... in an expeditious manner ..." From first submittal on February 14, 2007 through June 28, 2007 Jonsson's documents were submitted and reviewed four times for permit by the City of Garden Grove. On July 9, 2007, the Plan Checker made corrections to the drawings on behalf of Jonsson and submitted documents to the City of Garden Grove for final approval. Jonsson failed to meet the professional standard of care by not preparing construction documents capable of satisfying the City of Garden Grove Plan Check requirements in an expeditious manner as provided for in the contract. The citation became final on March 16, 2011.

TONY TZUPING LIN

(Lynn, MA) The Board issued a one-count administrative citation that included a \$1,000 civil penalty to Tony Tzuping Lin, architect license number C-31121, for an alleged violation of BPC section 5536(a) (Practice Without License or Holding Self Out as Architect). The action alleged that on or about September 26, 2006 and May 4, 2007, Lin executed written agreements to provide design services for a residence. The agreements stated that Lin would provide "Architectural detail plans." Lin's license was not issued an architect license until May 21, 2007.

Lin appealed the citation and an administrative hearing was held. Lin failed to appear at the hearing and the Citation was sustained. The citation became final on April 21, 2011.

TWEN MA (Bradbury) The Board issued a four-count administrative citation that included a \$4,000 civil penalty to Twen Ma, architect license number C-16815, for alleged violations of BPC sections 5536(a) and (b) (Practice Without License or Holding Self Out As Architect) and 5536.1(c) (Unauthorized Practice). The action alleged that while Ma's license was expired, he affixed his stamp to plans for a new commercial building located in Alhambra, California. The stamp contained Ma's name, license number, the words "Licensed Architect," the legend "State of California," and an invalid renewal date hand written in of December 31, 2012. The plans also included Ma's title block which contained his firm name as "Twen Ma Architects." Ma also affixed his stamp to plans for a 35-unit condominium project located in Alhambra, California. The plans included Ma's title block which contained his firm name as "Twen Ma Architects." While Ma's license was expired, he also prepared design and construction documents for the above mentioned projects. Ma's license expired on August 31, 2009 and was not renewed until November 4, 2010. The citation became final on January 31, 2011. Ma paid the civil penalty, satisfying the citation.

MICHAEL SCOTT MITCHELL

(Los Angeles) The Board issued a twocount administrative citation that included a \$5,000 civil penalty to Michael Scott Mitchell, an unlicensed individual, for alleged violations of BPC section 5536(a) (Practice Without License or Holding Self Out as Architect). The actions alleged that Mitchell provided an "AIA Document B141 Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Architect" for the design of a new single family residence and guest house to be located in Malibu, California. Mitchell also prepared plans with a title block which stated "Project Team:" and "Architect: Scott Mitchell Studio." The citation became final on April 12, 2011.

GARY REYNOLDS (Redding)

The Board issued a one-count administrative citation that included a \$2,000 civil penalty to Gary Reynolds, an unlicensed individual, for alleged violations of Business and Professions Code (BPC) sections 5536(a) (Practice Without License or Holding Self Out As Architect) and 5536.1(c) (Unauthorized Practice). The action alleged that Reynolds submitted plans to the City of Redding Planning Division for permit approval of a mixed-use project on a single lot located in Redding, California. The project included a major remodel of an existing store, along with development of seven residential units; one unit attached to the store and two triplex buildings. The citation became final on February 10, 2011.

GAETANO DAN SALVO

(San Pedro) The Board issued a one-count administrative citation that included a \$2,000 civil penalty to Gaetano Dan Salvo, an unlicensed individual, for an alleged violation of BPC section 5536(a) (Practice Without License or Holding Self Out as Architect). The action alleged that Salvo had listings on the Internet under the "Architect" heading on the Web sites: theusaexplorer.com, architectnearyou. com, powerprofiles.com, cylex-usa.com and allbusiness.com.

Salvo appealed the citation and an administrative hearing was held. The Administrative Law Judge upheld the Citation and it became final on April 21, 2011.

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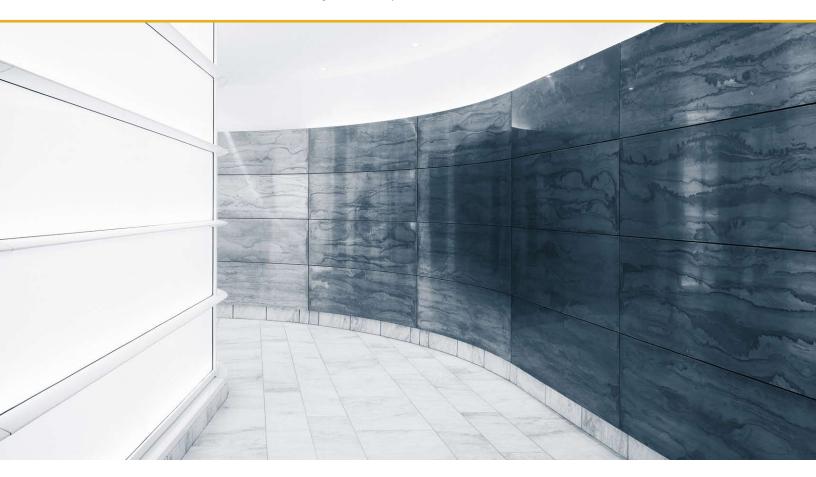
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